

## **Health Information Privacy**

### **- Notification Requirement -**

In accordance with the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996 (HIPAA) and Section C9.3.1.2 of DoD 6025.18, "DoD Health Information Privacy Regulation", January 2003, this serves to notify beneficiaries of the availability of the Military Health System (MHS) Notice of Privacy Practices.

As of April 14, 2003 healthcare plans and providers were required to provide patients with a Notice of Privacy Practices. The notice describes how your medical information may be used and with whom it may be shared. It also describes your rights and how to file a complaint if you believe your rights have been violated.

Please take a moment to review the Military Health System Notice of Privacy Practices and share it with members of your household receiving care at a military treatment facility or through the TRICARE managed care network. It is important that you are fully aware of how we may use and disclose your health information and that you notify us if you have any concerns. The notice is available in multiple languages. To obtain a copy

Ø Go to <http://www.tricare.osd.mil/tmaprivacy> ,

Ø Contact your military treatment facility (MTF) HIPAA Privacy Officer or access your MTF website, or

Ø Mail a written request to TRICARE Management Activity, Privacy Office, Five Skyline Place, Suite 810, 5111 Leesburg Pike, Falls Church, VA 22041-3206